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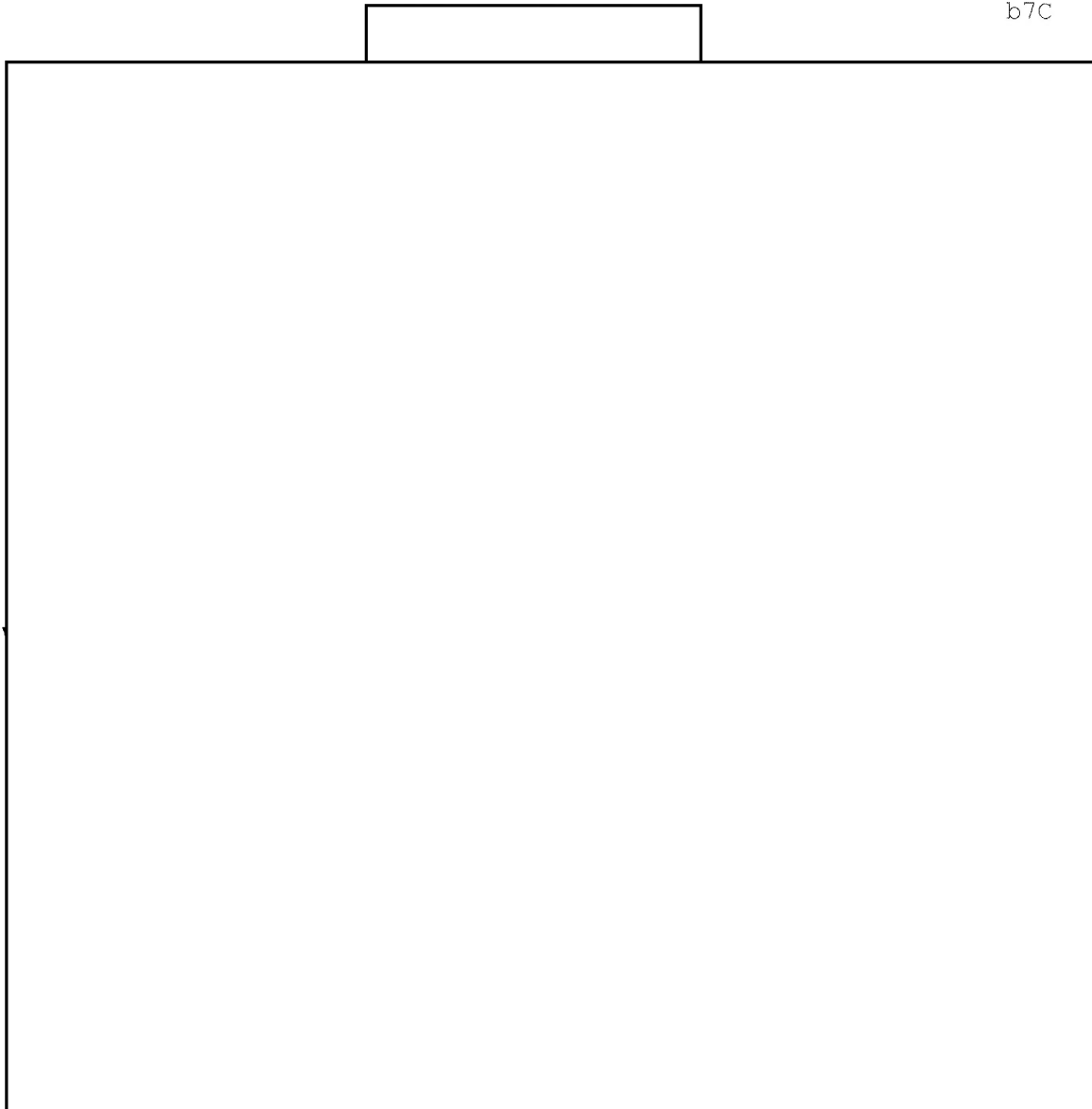
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Connections of San Diego PENTTBOMB Subjects
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Omar Ahmed Al-Bayoumi

> Background: Citizen of Saudi Arabia; DOB: 11/29/1957, entered the U.S. via Los Angeles in 1993 on a student visa; met with Flight #77 hijackers Nawaf Al-Hazmi and Khalid Al-Mihdhar in LA in January 2000 just after their arrival; invited Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar to San Diego; arranged an apartment for the hijackers in his complex, occasionally paid rent on the hijacker's apartment, hosted a party/reception for them and cosigned their apartment lease as a guarantor. Detained and interviewed for seven days by New Scotland Yard.

> Current Status:

He continues to reside in Birmingham, England.

> Links to Saudi Government:

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1. Employment:

Al-Bayoumi's real name is Omar Ahmad Mustafa Al-Ba'oomi and he has been employed as an accountant at Civil Aviation Administration Headquarters since 1976.

Al-Bayoumi is an employee of the Saudi Ministry of Finance. [The Saudi government denies this claim]

2. Education & Financial Support: On his application for admission to a doctoral program at Case Western Reserve University, **Al-Bayoumi** stated he was employed by the Saudi Civil Aviation Administration (CAA) for 20 years and was the "Assistant to the Director of Finance, Contracts and Finance Control Division, PCA, Airways Engineering" of Dallah/Avco Trans Arabia Company (which is under contract to the CAA to provide aircraft operations maintenance). In 1995, Ercan Engineering, a San Diego subcontractor of Dallah/Avco, was asked by the CAA to provide financial support to **Al-Bayoumi** while he studied in the U.S. Ercan refused and was told its contract may be jeopardized as a result. **Al-Bayoumi** told NSY that the CAA pays him \$5,000 per month to study in England for his PhD. However, the Mabathith claims **Al-Bayoumi** is financing his own education. In a 1998 letter to Case Western Reserve University, the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia, National Guard Office, WDC, claimed that **Al-Bayoumi** was a candidate for a full scholarship from the government of Saudi Arabia.

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4. Witness Reports: Various SD witnesses have described **Al-Bayoumi** as "associated with the Saudi government" [redacted] "a frequent traveler to Saudi Arabia" [redacted] "member of the Aviation Board for Saudi Arabia" [redacted] "having regular contact with the Saudi Arabian Consulate in LA" [redacted] "making frequent trips to the Saudi Consulate during the six years he was known to live in San Diego" [redacted] "working for the Saudi government to watch the actions of Saudis in the U.S." (Hoss); inquiring about the welfare of Saudi students in San Diego [redacted] "on a scholarship and financially supported by the Saudi government" [redacted] "having friends at the Saudi Consulate in LA" [redacted] "a spy for the Saudi government" (hijacker Al-Hazmi as reported by [redacted]); "receiving support from the Saudi Arabian Government or Saudi Airlines" [redacted] a reputed "Saudi Arabian intelligence officer" due to his prolific videotaping of services at the mosque [redacted] "an engineer for the Saudi Arabian government" [redacted] providing a \$500 check to the SD Kurdish Community Islamic Center drawn on the account of the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia [redacted] considered by some in the community as "some type of intelligence agent for the Saudi Arabian government" reporting on the activities of Saudi Muslims [redacted] "frequently traveling to the Los Angeles airport to drop off or pick up Saudis visiting southern California" [redacted] "traveling to WDC every one to two months" to visit the civil aviation office of the Saudi Consulate on Wyoming Street in WDC [redacted] "disclosing to others at the Islamic Center that he has friends/contacts in the Saudi Consulate in LA" [redacted] a "ghost employee" of Dallah/Avco and one of "approximately 50 individuals carried on the books of Dallah and being paid for doing nothing" [redacted] "working for the Saudi Intelligence Service to report on dissident Saudis" [redacted]

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